

NON-PROVISIONAL UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL - 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the non-provisional utility patent application entitled: Releasably Locking Dilator and Sheath Assembly which is: an [X] Original; or a [] Continuation, [] Divisional, or [] Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior Application No. This non-provisional patent application is based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/406,740, filed 29 August, 2002. Enclosed are: [X] Specification (including Abstract) and claims: 31 pages. [X] Newly executed/unexecuted Declaration (original). Copy of Declaration from prior application. Separate Power of Attorney (including 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, if applicable). 7 sheets of drawings (formal) plus one copy. Microfiche computer program (Appendix). [] Under PTO-1595 cover sheet, an assignment of the invention. [X]Medical Components, Inc. Assignee: Harleysville, PA 19438 Certified copy of Application No. _____, filed, is filed: [] herewith or [] in prior application. Applicant(s) is/are claiming Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27. Preliminary Amendment. Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 (with cited references). Other:

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